

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

1-27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently amended) A method for reading an RFID tag located on a package, comprising:

interrogating said RFID tag located on said package;

receiving first information stored in a memory of said RFID tag, said first information including an address identifying a location on a computer network corresponding to said RFID tag and first data regarding said package;

communicating with said location identified by said address;

accessing second information from said location on said computer network, said second information including second data regarding said package; and

updating said second information ~~from~~ at said location on the computer network ~~with~~ to reflect said first data regarding said package.

29. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 28, wherein said RFID tag is interrogated by an RFID reader commanded by an operator of said RFID reader and wherein said second information is updated automatically without requiring any further interaction by said operator.

30. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 28, wherein said second data comprises a detailed description of said package.

31. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 30, wherein said detailed description comprises a content of said package and a document associated with said content, said document comprises one of a document on a toxicity of said content, a document on a radioactivity level of said content, a document on a clean-up requirement of said content, and a document of disposal data of said content.

32. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 28, wherein said address further comprises a Uniform Resource Locator, wherein said location further comprises a website, and wherein said second information is updated with said first data by executing a Java-applet associated with said website.

33. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 32, wherein ~~a customer of said package can access~~ said accessing step further comprises accessing said website to obtain said updated second information.

34. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 33, wherein said updated second information ~~comprise~~ comprises a current information regarding a delivery status of said package.

35. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 34, wherein said delivery status comprises one of a status on a location of said package and a status on an arrival time of said package.

36. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 35, wherein said accessing step further comprises automatically launching a browser application and automatically loading said Uniform Resource Locator into an address field of said automatically launched browser application.

37. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 28, wherein said address further comprises an e-mail address.

38. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising:
launching an e-mail client; and
communicating an e-mail message associated with said first data regarding said package to a customer of said package through said e-mail client, said customer having said e-mail address.

39. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 38, wherein said e-mail message comprises one of a message on a location of said package and a message on an arrival time of said package.

40. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 28, wherein said memory of said RFID tag has a limited storage capacity and wherein said second data regarding said package supplements said first data regarding said package.

41. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 28, wherein said second information from said location on said computer network is further updated with information regarding a location of where said RFID tag is interrogated.

42. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 41, wherein said RFID tag is interrogated by an RFID reader commanded by an operator of said RFID reader and wherein said second information is updated automatically without requiring any further interaction by said operator.

43. (Previously presented) A computer network system for reading RFID tags comprising:

a client computer having an application program;

an RFID tag located on a package having a memory containing at least an address identifying a location on a computer network and first data regarding said package, wherein said memory has a limited storage capacity; and

an RFID reader connected to said client computer and being adapted to communicate with said RFID tag, said RFID reader providing said address recovered from said RFID tag to said client computer, said client computer thereby communicating with said location for second data regarding said package corresponding to said address through said application;

wherein said second data supplements said limited storage capacity on said RFID tag by providing a detailed description of said package.

44. (Previously presented) The computer network system of Claim 43, wherein said client computer also updates information serviced from said location with said first data regarding said package.

45. (Currently amended) The computer network system of Claim 44, wherein said RFID tag is interrogated by said RFID reader through a command by an operator of said RFID reader and wherein said information is updated automatically without requiring any further interaction by said operator.

46. (Previously presented) The computer network system of Claim 45, further comprising:

a local network;

a global network; and

a host server connected with said client computer via said local network, said host server being further connected to said global network; and

wherein said client computer accesses said location by an operation of said application through said host server.

47. (Previously presented) The computer network system of Claim 46, further comprising a wireless access point directly connected to said local network and wherein said host server is connected with said client computer through said wireless access point.

48. (Previously presented) The computer system of Claim 47, wherein said client computer is a handheld wireless device that is wirelessly connected to said wireless access point.

49. (Previously presented) The computer system of Claim 48, wherein said RFID reader is located within said handheld wireless device.

50. (Previously presented) A method for reading an RFID tag, comprising:
interrogating said RFID tag;
receiving first information stored in a memory of said RFID tag, said first information including an address identifying a location on a computer network corresponding to said RFID tag;
communicating with said location identified by said address;
accessing second information from said location on said computer network; and
updating said second information from said location on said computer network with said first information and third information on a location of where said RFID tag is interrogated.

51. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 50, further comprising:
launching an e-mail client; and
communicating said updated second information via an e-mail message to a user associated with said address.

52. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 51, wherein said memory is a limited memory device.

53. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 52, wherein said second information supplements said first information.

54. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 53, wherein said RFID tag is located on a package, wherein said first information comprises a reference to a detailed description of a content of said package, and wherein said second information comprises said detailed description of said content of said package.

55. (Previously presented) A radio frequency identification (RFID) tag comprising:

a memory having a data storage area;

an RF interface coupled to said memory for communicating data between said memory and an external interrogator, said memory including a data field containing an address identifying a location on a computer network corresponding to said RFID tag.

56. (Previously presented) The RFID tag of Claim 55, wherein the address further comprises a Uniform Resource Locator.